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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the referenced materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Information Disclosure Statement is entered and that the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 are considered by the Examiner and are made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP § 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as having been considered by the Examiner, is returned to the Applicant with the next official communication.

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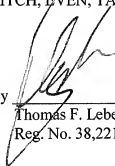
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